Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has issued a Show Cause for winding up Indian Iron and Steel Company (IISCO).

(b) and (c) SAIL/IISCO has submitted a revival proposal for IISCO to Government for Rs.1081 crores which includes funds for Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) and investment at Burnpur Works and its mines and collieries besides provisions for meeting its cash losses. No decision has yet been taken in the matter.

Debarring India from World Lifting Meet

743. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news article which appeared in Times of India dated the 30th October, 2001 under the heading, 'India may be debarred from World Lifting Meet' and

(b) if so, Government's response thereto and what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI P. RADHAKIRISHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The issue has been taken up at appropriate level, the Indian Weightlifting team has participated in World Weightlifting Championship held in Turkey from November 3, 2001.

Recipients of Arjuna Awards

744. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) how many Arjuna Awards have been conferred during the last three years;

(b) what are the criteria for selecting awardees; and

(c) the details regarding the names of the recipients of the award during these three years and the field in which they have received the award?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI P. RADHAKIRISHNAN): (a) During the last three years (1998—2000), 84 Arjuna Awards have been conferred.

(b) To be eligible for the Arjuna Award, a sports person should have had not only good performance consistently for the previous three years at the National/International level with excellence for the year for which the Award is recommended but also should have shown qualities of leadership, sportsmanship and sense of discipline. Government of India will also consider giving Awards to such sports persons who have contributed their life time to sports and sports promotion.

(c) The details are available at Statement.

Statement

Details of the names and sport disciplines of the recipients of the Arjuna Awards during the last three years (1998 to 2000)

Sl. No.	Winner	Discipline
	1998	
1.	Ms. Neelam J. Singh	Athletics
2.	Ms. Rachita Mistry	Athletics
3.	Capt. Shri Chand Ram, VSM	Athletics
4.	Mr. S.D. Eshan	Athletics
5.	Sh. Paramjit Singh	Athletics
6.	Mr. T.V. Pauly	Body Building
7.	Mr. N.G. Dingko Singh	Boxing
8.	Mr. Rahul Dravid	Cricket
9.	Mr. Nayan Ramlal Mongia	Cricket
10.	Mr. Baichung Butia	Football
11.	Ms. Pritam Rani	Hockey
12.	Smt. S. Omana Kumari	Hockey
13.	Late Sh. S. Surjit Singh	Hockey

Sl. No.	Winner	Discipline
14.	Mr. Baljit Singh Dhillon	Hockey
15.	Mr. Mohd. Riaz	Hockey
16.	Sh. Baldev Singh	Hockey
17.	Sh. Maharaj Krishon Kau	Hockey
18.	Sh. Narender Singh	Judo
19.	Sh. Ashan Kumar	Kabaddi
20.	Sh. Biswajit Palit	Kabaddi
21.	Ms. Shoba Narayan	Kho-Kho
22.	Ms. Anju Dua	Gymnastics (Ph. Handicapped)
23.	Ms. Ranjini Ramanujam	Gymnastics (Ph. Handicapped)
24.	Ms. Roopa Unnikrishnan	Shooting
25.	Sh. Manovjit Singh	Shooting
26.	Mr. Bhanu Sachdeva	Swimming
27.	Mr. Subramanian Raman	Table Tennis
28.	Sh. Satisha Rai	Weightlifting
29.	Sh. Kaka Pawar	Wrestling
30.	Sh. Rohtas Singh Dahiya	Wrestling
	1999	
1.	Sh. Gulab Chand	Athletics
2.	Smt. Gurmeet Kaur	Athletics
3.	Capt. Ris. Maj. (Retd.) Parduman Singh@	Athletics
4.	Ms. Sunita Rani	Athletics
5.	Sh. Pullela Gopi Chand	Badminton
6.	Sh. Sajjan Singh Cheema@	Basketball
7.	Sh. Gurcharan Singh	Boxing
8.	Sh. Jitender Kumar	Boxing

@ Life time contribution award.

Sl. No.	Winner	Discipline
9.	Sh. Chiranjeev Milkha Singh	Golf
10.	Sh. Balbir Singh Kullar@	Hockey
11.	Lt. Col. (Retd.) Haripal Kaushik@	Hockey
12.	Sh. Ramandeep Singh	Hockey
13.	Sh. V.J. Phillips@	Hockey
14.	Sh. Balwinder Singh@	Kabaddi
15.	Sh. Tirath Raj@	Kabaddi
16.	Sh. Jagjit Singh	Rowing
17.	Sh. Vivek Singh	Shooting
18.	Ms. Nisha Millet	Swimming
19.	Sh. Sukhpal Singh	Volleyball
20.	Sh. Dalbir Singh	Weightlifting
21.	Sh. Ashok Kumar@	Wrestling
22.	Sh. Aashim Mongia	Yachting
23.	Sh. G. Venkataravanappa (Ph. Handicapped)	Paraplegic Game
	2000	
1.	Ms. K.M. Beenamol	Athletics
2.	Sh. B.K. Venkatesh Prasad	Cricket
3.	Sh. Baljeet Singh Saini	Hockey
4.	Ms. Tingonleima Chanu	Hockey
5.	Smt. Anjali Vedpathak Bhagwat	Shooting
6.	Sh. Abhinav Bindra	Shooting
7.	Sh. Sebastian Xavier	Swimming
8.	Sh. J. Abhijith	Swimming
9.	Sh. Randhir Singh	Wrestling
10.	Sh. Kripa Shanker Patel	Wrestling
11.	Sh. George Thomas	Badminton
12.	Sh. C. Honnappa	Kabaddi

@Life time contribution award.

Sl. No.	Winner	Discipline
13.	Ms. S. Vijayalakshmi	Chess
14.	Ms. Sanamacha Chanu Thingbaijam	Weightlifting
15.	Sh. Yadvendra Vashishta	Athletics (P.H.)
16.	Sh. Vijay Bhalchandra Munishwar	Athletics & Power-lifting (P.H.)
17.	Dr. (Ms.) Kalpana Debnath@	Gymnastics
18.	Gp. Capt. R.S. Bhola@	Hockey
19.	Sh. Balkrishan Singh@	Hockey
20.	Sh. Jalaluddin Rizvi@	Hockey
21.	Ms. Madhu Yadav@	Hockey
22.	Sh. Gurbir Singh Sandhu@	Shooting
23.	Late Sh. K.D. Jadhav@	Wrestling
24.	Sh. Naresh Kumar@	Wrestling
25.	Sh. Milkha Singh@	Athletics
26.	Smt. Rachana Govil@	Athletics
27.	Smt. Vijayamala Bhanot@	Athletics
28.	Sh. Akhtar Ali@	Tennis
29.	Sh. P.V. Ramana@	Volleyball
30.	Sh. Surender Singh Kanwasi@	Rowing
31.	Sh. Joginder Singh Bedi@	Athletics (P.H.)

@ Life time contribution award.

National Reconstruction Corps Scheme

745. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have launched a new National Reconstruction Corps (NRC) scheme in certain districts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of districts in which the scheme has been launched; and